

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system and method for performing XML integration strategies in an server based system is disclosed. A requesting entity generates a request message for information managed by a server system. The request message is passed to a communications servlet operating within the server system. The servlet ensures the request message is in XML format and includes a transformer tag that designates the type of corresponding response message required. The XML servlet validates the request message to ensure it conforms to a particular document type definition. If so, the request message is parsed into an object model, and transferred to a manager process for processing the request. Then, the manager process produces a response message corresponding to the request message. The response message is eventually passed to a transformer where the transformer tag is checked to determine what type of response message is required by the requesting entity. Once determined, the transformer converts the response message into the appropriate format, and the message is made available in a format that is compatible with the requesting entity.

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